

Monday: 26 04 21

Hebrews 9:15

Reflection: There are several levels within this verse. We begin with the position of Jesus the Christ as our mediator with God. We then learn that we have received the promise of eternal inheritance. And that this has been sealed by the death of Jesus as a ransom that sets us free.

Application: Every time we consider our salvation, we should seek to acknowledge the new covenant we have with God. Gone are the strict rules and regulations of the old testament. Replaced with the perfect Grace that God has shown us.

Challenge: How can we understand the perfection of God's Grace through the new covenant we now have with Him and through Jesus the Christ?

Tuesday: 27 04 21

Proverbs 16:32

Reflection: Patience is not something people tend to have in abundance. Here we are told we should take our time and not rush into a situation. In Luke 9:54 the disciples are angry and frustrated at the hard hearted attitude of a village. They propose calling down fire on it. But Jesus rebuked them.

Application: How often have you felt impatient? Perhaps the sermon is going a little longer than usual? Perhaps someone is blocking the exit from the church talking to the minister? We can all find cause to become impatient and frustrated.

Challenge: In a world that demands that everything is instantaneous; try and set aside some quiet time.

Wednesday: 28 04 21

Proverbs 12:22

Reflection: "Loose Lips Sink Ships" was a slogan used during World War 2. There was a social move to stop people from casually talking about military activities that they may know about. Just in case the enemy might have someone listening in. A few words said could mean the difference between a successful campaign or a bitter loss of troops.

Application: How easy is it to casually talk about things with close friends. We feel confident with them. Yet Satan is constantly a real threat. He is looking for ways to undermine our Christian faith.

Challenge: We need to keep in mind that there is a real threat from Satan. To temper our words with wisdom and candour.

Thursday: 29 04 21

1 Timothy 6:7-8

Reflection: Nothing has really changed. As it was when this verse was written so it is still the case in the world we live in. There are those who are going to never be happy with what they have. Always wanting more. And those who are content with what they have.

Application: Everyone within the church likes to feel they have a special place where they feel that they are truly valued. They will seek to sit in their favourite pew. Talk to those they feel comfortable with. And seek a level of happiness or contentment.

Challenge: Can we be content with what we have? Or do we seek more and more?

Friday: 30 04 21

Matthew 7:15

Reflection: False prophets were around then as they are still around now. The new testament warns us of them. Explaining they can appear like Godly people. Yet they will tell twisted versions of the Gospel message. They won't tell blatant lies. Instead they will tell little variations of the truth to lead others astray.

Application: Today we have people who will do the same. They will tell people that if God is love then he can't hate single sex relationships. They will try and grey the lines between right and wrong. While never admitting the truth.

Challenge: Can you tell when someone is twisting the Bible? How well do you know the Bible?

Saturday: 01 05 21

Philippians 1:6

Reflection: God started something within you when you accepted the gift of Salvation through Jesus the Christ. He has promised to finish what he started. Even to the day the Lord returns. What God has started we can have confidence He will continue to work on. Until it is complete.

Application: Sometimes it's easy to forget what it was like when we first accepted God's gift of Grace. Life has distracted us and we can easily think that once saved God's work with us is over.

Challenge: Take time to reflect on that amazing day when you accepted Jesus as your Saviour. Trust that God is still working with you.

My God

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I so love my God.
He is mighty, amazing.
He is my refuge.
I will follow Him each day.
He will shelter me each night.

My God shines a light.
On the path I must travel.
He has no darkness.
I am safe within his light.
As he guides me to the Cross.

His Son paid the price.
With His blood upon the Cross.
I am in his debt.
A price I could never pay.
Gods' Grace for my many sins.

When this day is done.
My soul finally at rest.
I will be with God.
Rejoicing in his presence.
At his Holy throne of love.

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Six days to Sunday



Stepping Stones of Faith

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***We believe in the Bible over all of life
and that Salvation is: In Christ alone,
by Grace alone, through Faith alone.***